

CHAPTER NO. 886

HOUSE BILL NO. 2960

By Representative Lynn

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3099

By Senator Person

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-414 and Section 49-3-359, relative to persons trained to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation in public schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-359(c)(2), is amended by adding the following two (2) sentences at the end of the subdivision:

Each public school nurse employed by an LEA shall maintain current certification through a certifying cardiopulmonary resuscitation course consistent with the scientific guidelines of the American Heart Association in collaboration with the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-414, is amended by designating the current language as subsection (a) and by inserting the following as a new subsection (b):

(b) The department of education, office of school health programs, shall conduct a survey of all public elementary and secondary schools to determine each school's proficiency or deficiency in administering subsection (a). That survey shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

(1) Identifying the number, if any, of full-time employee volunteers who are currently certified in CPR at each school;

(2) Identifying those LEAs that currently provide CPR training programs for teacher in-service training, and the number of teachers who participate in that training for each school;

(3) Identifying whether individual teachers or employees are required to pay for their own certification or certification maintenance, and if the LEA pays for such training, how those funds are accounted for in each LEA's budget; and

(4) Identifying those schools that provide CPR training to students.

Each public elementary and secondary school shall respond to this survey as requested by the department of education. The department of education shall report its findings, including the number of schools that responded to the survey, to the respective chairs of the education committees of both the house and senate and to the American Heart Association no later than February 1, 2005.

SECTION 3. The survey required by this act shall be funded through the existing resources of the department of education.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 21, 2004


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 7th day of June 2004


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR